June 15, 2017

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Re: May 2017 Monthly Progress Report
Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action
U.S. EPA Region 10 Docket No. CERCLA 10-2009-0255
Gasco Sediments Site within the Portland Harbor Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Sheldrake,

This monthly progress report provides information required by Section VIII, Paragraph 26, of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action (Order) for actions taken in May 2017 at the Gasco Sediments Site within the Portland Harbor Superfund Site.

## 1. Actions Taken in This Month and Problems Encountered

The following actions and correspondences occurred in this month:

- May 2 Met with EPA to discuss the revised schedule of deliverables for the Order.
- May 15 Anchor QEA submitted the Gasco Sediments Site monthly progress report to EPA and performed the monthly visual monitoring of the shoreline area in the direct vicinity of the pilot cap.

# 2. Results of Sampling, Tests, and Other Data Received

The results of the monthly visual monitoring of the shoreline area in the direct vicinity of the pilot cap are provided as Attachment A.

## 3. Schedule of Activities for the Next Month

Anchor QEA anticipates the following activities to occur in the next month:

- Submit the June monthly progress report.
- Submit a revised schedule of deliverables for the Order based on verbal feedback received from EPA during the May 2 meeting.
- Meet with EPA to discuss the revised schedule of deliverables for the Order.
- Development of the Draft Pre-Remedial Design Technical Evaluations and Basis of Design Work Plan.

 Complete monthly visual monitoring of the shoreline area in the direct vicinity of the pilot cap area.

# 4. Anticipated Problems and Proposed Resolutions

No problems or unforeseen conditions were encountered.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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## **Attachments**

Attachment A Monthly Visual Monitoring Report for Pilot Cap Vicinity



# **Visual Observations Log Form**

May 16, 2017

**Project:** NW Natural – Gasco **Project Number:** 000029-02.50, Task 4

**Location:** NW Natural "Gasco" Site **Monitoring Period:** Monthly (Year 11) —May 2017

**Observations Started:** May 15, 2017 @ 08:30

**Observations Concluded:** May 15, 2017 @ 09:30

Photographs Taken: Yes: ⊠ No: □

Recorded by: Douglas Laffoon

#### **Weather Conditions**

Partly sunny, 49° Fahrenheit, light wind from the west.

#### **Wave Action Observations**

Very little to no wave action (0.0 – 0.1 feet in height)

#### **Tidal Conditions**

Willamette River level on 5/15/2017 ranged in elevation from 14.06 to 14.29 feet. The Willamette River level during the photos in this report was approximately 14.27 feet measured at 09:00 (River Level Elevation Datum: Morrison Gage Height).

#### **Observations of Erosion/Deposition**

No erosion/deposition is evident along the shoreline. The shoreward extent of the cap was not visible due to high river water elevation and the organoclay mat material shoreward of the cap area could not be observed (Photo 1).

### Observations of Long-term Controls (i.e., oil booms, organo-clay mat, etc.)

During the observation, the Pacific Terminals containment boom was placed across the cap area from the ship dock to the upriver dolphin. Two buoys that identify the cap area to mariners are in place as installed. The positions of the Pacific Terminals oil boom and warning buoys are shown in Photo 2.

#### **Other Comments**

No sheen is evident in or around the cap area. Photo 3 shows the water surface and shoreline immediately downriver of the sediment cap.

# **Photos**

Photo 1
River Level Currently Above the Extent of Sediment Cap (5/15/2017)



Photo 2
FAMM Oil Boom Placement and Mariner Warning Buoys at Pilot Cap Area (5/15/2017)

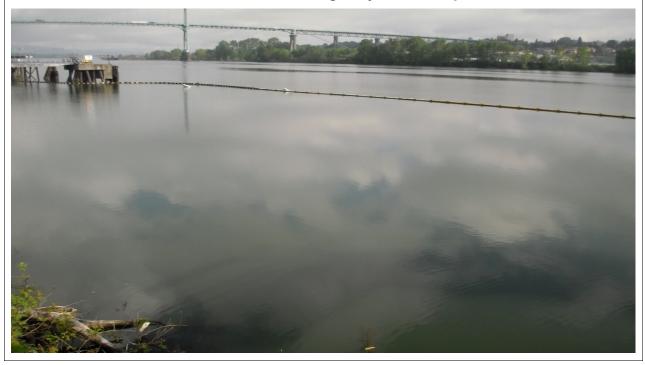


Photo 3
Conditions Immediately Downriver of Cap Area (5/15/17)